(vi) Development of Heera Phase-III

(B) Projects awaiting Govt. approval:—

(i) Additional development of Bombay High North II
(ii) Setting up of grassroot para-xylene project at Hazira
(iii) Installation of Booster Compressors in the Bassein field
(iv) Setting up of additional cogeneration facilities at Uran

(d) The steps being taken for timely completion of projects are:

— Close monitoring of projects at project, regional and Board level.

— Parallel planning of various project activities.

— Close internation with contractors/ vendors for resolution of issues.

— Use of latest software in project management.

Supply of Gas for Power Generation

2781. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some requests for supply of gas for power generation at different places in the country are under consideration of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof, Statewise and Union Territory-wise;

(c) whether some of the requests relate to Andhra Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof, district-wise, and tentative time schedule for approval of such requests; and

(e) if not, the steps to be taken by Government to ask the State Governments to send proposal on these lines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T. R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Requests for allocation of gas for power generation has been received from a number of States such as Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, U.P., Delhi, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh etc.

(c) The Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested for an increase in the allocation of the two power projects of M/s GVK and Spectrum and also for additional allocations to APSEB.

(d) and (e) The gas projected to be available is fully allocated and it is not feasible to allocate any more gas at present.

LPG Connections on Demand

2782. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some requests for provision of LPG connections to consumers on demand were received by Government from different parts of the country during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State and Union Territory-wise and year-wise separately;

(c) whether LPG connections on demand are also available to consumers of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor, alongwith the steps to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T. R. BAALU): (a) to (d) Demands for release of LPG connections immediately from a large number of persons all over the country are received. As per the Tatkal Scheme (on demand) which has come into effect from 20.2.97, any person can have an LPG connection by paying a non-refundable amount of Rs. 4000/- in addition to regular security deposit towards cylinders and regulator, subject to the condition that he does not already possess an LPG connection. The connection will be installed at customer's premises within seven days from the date